

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S.144**

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TO:	The Honorable John E. Courson, Chairman, Senate Education Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
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AUTHOR:	Senator Mescher	PRIMARY CODE CITE:	59-63-80
SUBJECT:	School District - Asthma Policy		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:
Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:
\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 144 would require every school district to adopt a policy authorizing a student to self-administer asthma medications. The Bill provides that school districts and its employees would be immune from liability for any injury a student may sustain as a result of self-administering asthma medications.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

State Department of Education

Enactment of this Bill would have a minimal impact on agency expenditures. The cost to the school districts for parent notification required in section 59-63-90 of the Bill is estimated at \$33,200. In addition there should be little or no impact associated with Section 2 of the Bill dealing with an amendment to the State's Tort Claims Act.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:



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